21 December 1962

MEMORANDUM FOR MEMBERS OF THE SPECIAL GROUP

SUBJECT: Approval of Special Reconnaissance Flights

The following actions with respect to approvals of ${\tt IDEALIST}$ missions, were taken today:

1. <u>Szechwan Basin</u>. This TACKLE mission was approved individually by members of the Special Group in Washington. Based on this and on earlier approval in principle by higher authority, Mr. Bundy, in Nassau, concurred.

2. North Vietnam. This mission, with the aircraft currently positioned there for use in the was approved in the same manner and with the same earlier approval in principle in mind.

The <u>South China</u> TACKLE mission has been approved at all levels several times, and has been held up only because of weather. No further approval is necessary if it can be mounted in the foreseeable future.

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